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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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For: FRACTURE-PROOF FLAT CLASPING

FLOORBOARD STRIP AND THE FLOORING

ASSEMBLED WITH SUCH STRIPS

Examiner: J. T. Fonseca

## AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

#### INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is an Amendment accompanying an RCE and is in response to the Advisory Action dated August 5, 2009, and the final Office Action dated April 21, 2009. Please enter the Amendment filed on July 16, 2009 and then further amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.

### FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Higbest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present		Rate	Additional Fee
Total	2	- 20* =	0	X	\$52.00	0.00
Independent	1	- 3** =	0	X	\$220.00	0.00
First presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) (if applicable)						
TOTAL						0.00

<sup>\*</sup>not less than 20

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# CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 50-2215.

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